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## FISHER INSISTS ON PROBE IN OPEN

### FREAR-KUHO CHARGES WILL BE AIDED PUBLICLY; FIRST HEARING SKIMS SURFACE

Secretary Devotes Opening Session To Attempt To Get Grasp Of Present Landholding System And Possibilities For Development Of Small Farming And Individual Holders

#### F. M. Swanzy Is Questioned For Over Hour

Secretary Fisher is going to conduct his investigation of Delegate Kuhio's charges against Governor Frear before the eyes of all Hawaii.

He is taking the public into his confidence, asking the advice of the people of Hawaii, welcoming their cooperation in his work. He is emphasizing the fact that he wants his probe here to be above board in every particular.

Two hours this morning, the opening of the series of public hearings, gave evidence of what the spirit of the investigation and its methods are to be. Secretary Fisher himself, in a brief statement at the beginning of the hearing, announced that "the public is welcome," and declared further that the statements to be made by those he will call upon are to be given particular weight if made in public.

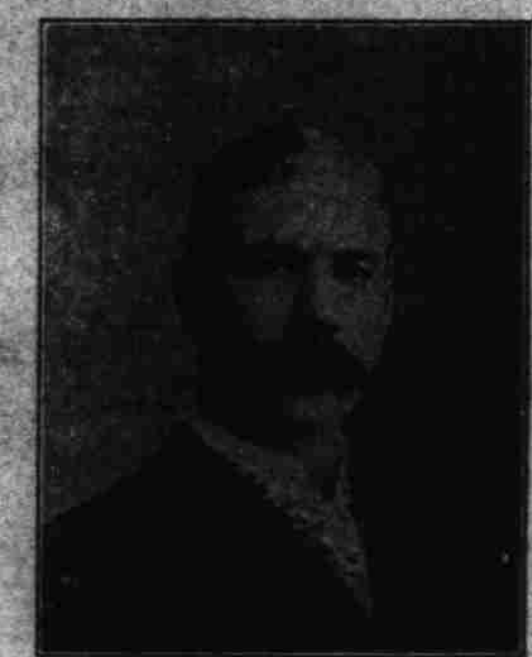
Little Ceremony.  
With little ceremony, but with a brisk and businesslike air characteristic of the Secretary himself, the formal investigation of the Delegate's charges opened this morning in the Senate chamber of the Capitol. The hearing began very shortly after 10 o'clock, the hour set for its opening, and began with hardly more formality than a group of friends would sit down to discuss an important matter among themselves.

The Senate chamber was well filled some time before 10 o'clock, and soon became packed to the doors, with many interested spectators occupying vantage spots on the lanais. A phalanx of stenographers and a battery of newspaper men were in attendance, besides the prominent citizens whom Mr. Fisher had asked to be present, most of the Territorial officials, a number of ladies and casual onlookers. Mrs. Frear, Mrs. B. F. Dillingham, Mrs. Walter F. Dillingham and several others made a little party that came early and, seated in the rear of the chamber, remained until the close of the session. Mr. Fisher came with her husband and also stayed until the end.

Gather for Hearing.  
Secretary Fisher, alert, vigorous and quick of movement, entered the Senate chamber breezily, just after 10 o'clock, accompanied by his private secretary, Herbert A. Meyer. He conferred for a few moments in the center of the chamber, before going to his seat, regarding the arrangements for the morning. Delegate Kuhio came in shortly afterward, and Governor Frear almost behind him. Attorney General Lindsay, Secretary Nottingham, Territorial Surveyor Wall, Land Commissioner Tucker and others of the Governor's official family came in together.

Mr. Fisher took his seat on the floor of the chamber, at a desk before the rostrum, leaving the higher and more formal station unoccupied. Mr. Meyer occupied a seat on Mr. Fisher's right and a stenographer at his left. Delegate Kuhio sat almost in front of Mr. Fisher, on his right, and the Governor was at a desk a couple of yards further toward the door.

**TODAY'S DEVELOPMENTS IN FISHER PROBE.**  
Hearings open in Senate chamber before large crowd.  
Secretary Fisher enunciates policy of open consideration and public discussion.  
Delegate Kuhio asked to make statement, but declines, saying his attorney, C. W. Ashford, will do so.  
Mr. Ashford III and unable to appear, so hearing opens with questions by Mr. Fisher on local conditions.  
F. M. Swanzy asked as to possibilities for small farming and individual cane holdings.  
Mr. Swanzy declares for increase in white population if it can be brought about; doubts practicability of cutting present government cane lands up into small holdings for homesteaders.  
Hearings continue next week.



F. M. SWANZY  
Who was the principal source of information for Secretary Fisher this morning.

The hearing this morning expecting to get a sensation did not get it. For the most part, the discussion turned upon questions with regard to local industry and the present land-holding and crop-raising systems. It had been expected that the delegate's charges would be set forth by Attorney C. W. Ashford, but Mr. Ashford was reported slightly ill this morning and the delegate said, in response to Mr. Fisher's questions, that he preferred to have his attorney talk on the subjects mentioned. Mr. Fisher said he realized the disadvantage at which the delegate was placed, and the original plan was modified so that the morning's hearing turned into more or less of an informal talk on Hawaiian industrial conditions.

Mr. Swanzy in limelight.  
F. M. Swanzy, managing director of T. H. Davies & Co. and president of the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association, was in limelight most of the morning, as Mr. Fisher called upon him to answer a large number of questions. Mr. Fisher asked first for Mr. A. W. Carter, but Mr. Carter, who had been seated in the chamber at the beginning of the session, was not to be found, and Mr. Fisher therefore asked for some one else acquainted with sugar and other conditions here. Mr. E. D. Tenney said that he had come in somewhat late, and Mr. Fisher then asked for Mr. Swanzy. Having secured some one upon whom he could call for answers to his introductory questions, he devoted most of the morning to putting these questions to Mr. Swanzy and getting the answers. The discussion was notably free and frank throughout, and Mr. Swanzy seemed to endeavor to answer his questions to the fullest extent, though sometimes halting a moment in an effort to get just the sub-

stance of the idea that Mr. Fisher was driving at.

A Knotty Problem.  
Quite early Mr. Fisher made it plain that he did not wish the discussion to turn at once upon the governor personally, but rather upon the situation that confronts an executive here, no matter who the man. Mr. Swanzy was asked what kind of a man he thought should be the governor of Hawaii to give satisfaction, and responded, amid general laughter, "I don't think you'll find him on this earth." Mr. Fisher, smiling, asked him what was his own idea of a suitable governor, and Mr. Swanzy said "Governor Frear is as near my idea as anyone."

Then Mr. Fisher drew the talk into channels dealing with the territory's problems and from this developed the discussion as to the land laws and the present systems of land tenure.

Few Called On Today.  
The only persons called upon in today's inquiry were Mr. Swanzy, who was the principal witness; Governor Frear, Delegate Kalaniano'ole and Land Commissioner Joshua Tucker, the last-named being called upon only once, to give an item of information concerning the number of small homesteaders on the islands.

In addition to the men to whom Secretary Fisher has sent out his circular letter, Governor Frear has summoned the following to attend the sessions prepared to answer inquiries if they are called upon: Attorney General Alex. Lindsay, Land Commissioner Joshua Tucker, Ralph S. Hosmer, superintendent of forestry, and the members of the land board, who are A. W. Carter, Richard Trent, Samuel Dwight and Frank Andrade. W. A. Kinney, also a member of the land board, is said to be absent from the Territory at the present time.

Hours For Hearing.  
At the close of the day's inquiry, which was concluded at 12:30 o'clock the Secretary of the Interior announced that the parties interested had agreed with him that the best hours for the public inquiry should be from 9:30 to 12:30 p. m. He then announced that the meeting would adjourn to 9:30 next Monday morning.

His private secretary, Herbert A. Meyer, stated at noon today that the tentative arrangement announced yesterday for trips to the other islands is not yet definite. A part of this is for a trip to Kauai next Tuesday. This may not be definitely decided upon until Monday morning however.

Among those present today were Dr. E. V. Wilcox, James A. Rath, A. F. Judd, Deputy U. S. District Attorney Blitting, Principal Edgar Wood of the normal school, Land Commissioner Joshua Tucker, Principal Davies of the Royal School, J. A. Wilder, H. Gooding Field, Principal M. M. Scott.

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#### DRYDOCK TO BE EXTENDED FROM HARBOR

Navy Department Order Indicates Recommendation Has Been Adopted

WILL MEAN SAVING OF VALUABLE TIME

Shipfitters' Shop To Be Moved 100 Feet Nearer Drydock Site

That the Navy Department is in favor of extending the Pearl Harbor drydock from the outside end, in accordance with the recommendations of the board of officers which recently convened here to consider matters in connection with the drydock, is indicated by a letter just received at the local naval station. This is an authorization to move the shipfitters' and boiler-makers' shop, now in course of construction, 100 feet nearer the drydock. Permission to make this change was requested only in the event of the dock being extended outward, so by putting two out together, the engineers have arrived at the conclusion that the change in the shop site means favorable consideration of the report.

Civil Engineer E. R. Gayler, the public works officer, and Assistant Civil Engineers Smith and Bostrum, composed the board which considered the proposed extension of the drydock, and which fixed the added compensation for the contractor, necessitated by the change of concrete mixture. This board was in favor of adding the 200 feet to the dock authorized by Congress at the outside end, on the grounds that this would interfere less with work already accomplished, that it would be cheaper, and that it would save about four months on the time of final completion. Evidently the Navy Department looks at the matter in the same way.

The shop which is to be moved is one of the industrial buildings which the Concanon Co. is erecting. It has just reached the stage where it can be shifted without damage or appreciable expense.

Storehouse Changed.  
A cable was received today from Admiral Stanford, chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, who recently visited Honolulu, stating that the advertisement for bids on the second warehouse had been withdrawn. This was to have been a \$100,000 job, the storehouse being a three-story affair of reinforced concrete. It was to have been the second of three storehouses, the first one being now in course of construction by the Concanon Company.

The cable is taken to mean that the bureau has decided to build two or three one-story storehouses instead of the large building named in the advertisement. This will give more floor space, and as there is plenty of ground space available, the navy civil engineers think well of the change.

Wireless Expert Coming.  
Word has been received at the naval station that a wireless expert will come to Honolulu in the near future to make a final inspection of the sites suggested for the new \$200,000 wireless plant at Pearl Harbor. Civil Engineer Gayler and Lieutenant Stevens were recently appointed a board to report on available sites for the station, but the expert will have the final say-so from a technical standpoint.

#### PRICE OF MILK DUE TO COST OF FEED, HE THINKS

Food Commissioner E. B. Blanchard stated this morning that he was of the opinion that the cause of the raise in the price of milk by the Honolulu and labor, and not by any requirement of his department. "A careful inspection of the milk from month to month" said Blanchard, "as supplied by the association has shown its quality to be continually improving, and it is now probably better than the milk supplied to most cities on the mainland. "The methods of handling the milk at the association I consider practically ideal, and as long as these methods are in vogue the people of Honolulu can be assured of first class milk handled in a sanitary manner. Whether or not the price is excessive, I am

#### MAY BAR OUT ALL VICTIMS OF HOOKWORM

Are Forbidden Mainland Ports; Local Officers Await Orders

ALIENS FROM ORIENT WOULD BE AFFECTED

Disease Common to Filipinos, Chinese and Japanese, Records Show

A quarantine against the invasion of the hookworm parasite into the Territory of Hawaii at the instance of the United States immigration authorities may follow, a decision that is expected will be received from Washington within a few days.

A new and rather interesting phase of the hookworm problem has come to the front and center owing to the wide prevalence of this malady along the California coast, according to advice received here.

Aliens suffering from hookworm are to be deported without ceremony on and after November 1st, so announces a letter from Washington and forwarded to General Samuel W. Backus, Commissioner of Immigration, stationed at San Francisco.

Dr. Trotter, head of the local branch of the Federal quarantine service was asked this morning how the new and drastic regulation would affect the present large influx of Japanese and Filipinos into the Hawaiian Islands. "This matter is now in the hands of the Washington authorities," he admitted. "As far as the ruling applies to the coast, that is correct, so I am led to understand through late correspondence."

Planters Watch Their Charges.  
It was learned today that the Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association have facilities for the care of the sick and diseased Filipinos brought to these islands under their direction. At the planters' stoppage a section has been reserved where the new arrival is subjected to a careful medical examination should the health authorities be led to believe that the patient is suffering from hookworm or other maladies not listed as quarantinable.

Under the new regulation, as it applies to the Pacific coast immigrants found to be afflicted with the disease will be deported immediately as they are when they are discovered to be suffering from trachoma and other loathsome diseases. The detention hospital is filled to overflowing with patients who have every imaginable complaint and the medical authorities determined that hookworm patients should not be admitted to the hospital.

During the last fiscal year more than 1,300 hookworm patients were treated, a cure usually being effected within 10 days to two weeks. Sixty per cent of the Japanese immigrants, "photograph brides," were found to be suffering with the disease, while 50 per cent of the alien Chinese landing at the Angel Island station were so afflicted. The Hindu race is pronounced to be the most susceptible to the malady, as nearly 90 per cent of those landed during the past year had hookworm in various stages.

The Trans-Pacific steamship companies were notified of the order by General Backus. Officials of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, the big Japanese company, announced that they would investigate the matter thoroughly and find out just what they could do. The order issued by the secretary of the department of commerce and labor is final and can be construed only one way. Consequently the steamship companies that bring immigrants will have to subject them to a medical examination before they are permitted to embark, or they will have to deport to their own country any aliens pronounced to be afflicted with the disease, unless they can be cured before arrival.

Enormous damage was done to orchards and beet fields by a hail storm which swept through Logan, Utah, and vicinity.

The Trans-Mississippi Congress, meeting at Salt Lake City, adopted resolutions asking the government to appropriate \$5,000,000 to aid the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco and \$1,000,000 to aid the St. Diego exposition.

Mexican rebels are demanding surrender of the El Tigre gold mine just over the border line from Mexico. Americans in charge are refusing to fight. If the rebels could and take this wonderful mine they would have gold enough to finance the same.

hardly in a position to say, increase is essential to the ing of the present standard, no question but what this price is far better than the handling or a lower quality.

#### 13 U. S. SOLDIERS KILLING MEXICANS

Four Dead And One Hurt As Result of Trespassing on American Soil Near Douglas, Ariz.

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Sept. 7.—Thirteen American soldiers, catching twenty-five Mexican rebels trespassing upon the American side of the border last night, opened fire upon them with such effect that four of the rebels were killed and one wounded. Not a Mexican was hurt. The rebels have been growing bolder and bolder in crossing the border lately.

#### TWO MORE REGIMENTS SENT TO PATROL MEX. BORDER

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 7.—Two additional regiments have been dispatched to patrol the Mexican border.

#### TAFT ADMITS GRAVITY OF SITUATION FOR U. S.

BEVERLY, Mass., Sept. 7.—President Taft today admitted the seriousness of the Mexican situation.

#### Wilson Compliments Bull Moose

SEAGIRT, N. J., Sept. 7.—Gov. Woodrow Wilson today gave out a statement from his summer headquarters here, complimenting the New York Progressives for their work in yesterday's State convention. He said that "their platform is admirable and their candidate is splendid. Their work should put us on our mettle."

#### Big Pontoon Starts Here

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 7.—The steel pontoon, designed to carry the floating crane which will be used at Pearl Harbor, started from here today in tow of the tug Hercules.

This is the big pontoon, launched recently by the Union Iron Works, which will be the base of the largest floating crane in the world. The pontoon is 125 feet long, 75 feet wide, and 14 feet deep, and the giant crane which it will carry will have a lifting capacity of 150 tons. The pontoon will be moored at the navy wharf, where the crane will be erected and the Diesel engines, which will run the hoisting and swinging machinery, installed. The Hercules is the tug that towed the big caisson of the drydock to Honolulu a few months ago.

#### Travers Amateur Golf Champion

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 7.—Jerome D. Travers captured the amateur golf championship today, by defeating "Chick" Evans in final round, 7 up and 6 to play. The result of the match was although Evans' showing in the British championship last year that he was not playing the game he put up last season.

#### Tenderloin Queen

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 7.—"Tenderloin" was murdered in bed discovered this morning. The value at \$5,000 are missing.

#### Would Assume

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 7.—Charles W. Gates has abandoned the plans for building a \$100,000 mansion at Minneapolis as his aristocratic neighbors pointedly show their dislike at having the millionaire spendthrift locate near them.

#### Candid

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Defense board finishes work, SADOR BRYCE SHIES AT PUBLIC ESTIONS.

DRINK / FISHER CALLS CITIZENS TO INQUIRY,

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—Pitcher, star bed dead of sicians state.

LORRIN ANDREWS NO. 1 LOSES CASE SOLD FOR ALIMONY.

J. S. TROOPS TO PENETRATE KOOLAU RANGE,

JAPAN'S MINISTER TO CHILE HERE,

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